

## Message Text

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ACTION ARA-14

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: POGV, BL, PINT  
SUBJECT: PEREDA ASSUMES PRESIDENCY: SITREP 3

REF: LA PAZ 5794

1. COMPLETING A SCENARIO SCRIPTED SHORTLY BEFORE HUGO BANZER SURRENDERED CONTROL OF THE GOVERNMENT TO A THREE-MAN MILITARY JUNTA (REFTTEL), JUAN PEREDA ASBUN WAS SWORN IN AS PRESIDENT OF BOLIVIA AT APPROXIMATELY 2200 HOURS LOCAL TIME ON JULY 21. IN A BRIEF ADDRESS, PEREDA APPEALED TO ALL SECTORS OF BOLIVIAN SOCIETY FOR SUPPORT. CLAIMING TO HAVE OBTAINED A MAJORITY OF THE VOTE ON JULY 9, HE SAID HIS INVESTITURE DID NOT REPRESENT A PERSONAL TRIUMPH, BUT RATHER A POPULAR REJECTION OF ALL FORMS OF FOREIGN DOMINATION.

2. APPROXIMATELY HALF AN HOUR BEFORE PEREDA ASSUME THE PRESIDENCY, BANZER SUBMITTED A NOTE TO THE THEN RULING JUNTA REQUESTING HIS SEPARATION FROM ACTIVE DUTY IN THE ARMED FORCES.

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